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SUBJECT:INDUSTRIAL R&D FOUNDATION PROPOSAL

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1. RE PARA 3 REFTTEL, GOI DRAFT PROPOSAL FOR INDUSTRIAL
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R&D FOUNDATION PREPARED BY YAACOV HAS BEEN REVIEWED AND

COMMENTED ON BY INTERESTED USG AGENCIES. BASED ON YAACOV PROPOSAL AND COMMENTS REC'D, A FIRST U.S. DRAFT USG/GOI AGREEMENT TO ESTABLISH A BINATIONAL R&D FOUNDATION HAS BEEN DEVELOPED. THIS DRAFT NOW BEING CIRCULATED USG AGENCIES FOR COMMENT. WE DO NOT ANTICIPATE BEING IN A POSITION TO DISCUSS IT WITH GOI BEFORE DEC 6-13 PERIOD AT EARLIEST. INITIAL TALKS WOULD BE IN CONTEXT OF RESPONDING TO AND PROVIDING OUR VIEWS ON YAACOV PROPOSAL RATHER THAN REQUESTING FORMAL CONSIDERATION OF SPECIFIC US DRAFT.

2. EMB WILL BE PROVIDED WITH INFO COPY U.S. DRAFT ASAP AFTER RECEIPT OF COMMENTS AND ANY REQUIRED REWORKING. OUR HOPE IS THAT DRAFT PROPOSAL COUPLED WITH INPUTS GROWING OUT OF MEETINGS HELD BY PARSKY GROUP SHOULD ALLOW AD REF

DEFINITIONS OF ELEMENTS OF USG/GOI INDUSTRIAL R&D AGREEMENT. DEC 6-13 R&D ADVISORY COUNCIL (GOLDMAN GROUP) AND ASST SEC. OF COMMERCE ANCKER-JOHNSON VISIT, SHOULD HELP IN DEVELOPING FEASIBLE ACTIVITIES OR PROJECTS FOR AN INITIAL WORK PROGRAM, HELPING US TO GET A BETTER HANDLE ON FUND REQUIREMENTS. IN OUR VIEW PROGRESS ON SPECIFICS OF R&D AGREEMENT LINKED CLOSELY TO SUCCESS OF GOI IN DEFINING PROPOSED WORK PROGRAM FOR "FOUNDATION" AND PARTICULARLY PROJECTS FOR INITIAL UNDERTAKING. WE HOPE GOI WILL HAVE DONE SUFFICIENT HOMEWORK TO ALLOW GOLDMAN/ANCKER-JOHNSON ET AL TO FOCUS USEFULLY IN THIS AREA. FORMAT AND TEXT OF AGREEMENT BASED ON AD REF RESULTS COULD BE FINALIZED DEC/JAN, LOOKING TOWARDS SEC. SIMON'S PROJECTED VISIT IF DEC MTGS WITH GOI ARE WELL-FOCUSSED. WELCOME EMB COMMENTS ON THIS SCENARIO.

3. FYI, OUR INITIAL GENERAL REACTION TO YAACOV PROPOSAL FORWARDED BY YOUNTS/CHANG LETTER, IS THAT (A) TOO BUREAUCRATICALLY CUMBERSOME WITH A BOARD, COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE; (B) DOES NOT PROVIDE SUFFICIENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR U.S. GENERATED INPUTS OR PROTECTION FOR U.S. INTERESTS, AND (C) TERMINOLOGY IS IN SEVERAL INSTANCES TOO VAGUE. U.S. DRAFT DRAWS ON US-ISRAEL BSF AGREEMENT FOR FORMAT. WE HAVE ATTEMPTED TO SIMPLIFY MECHANISM (E.G. WE HAVE ELIMINATED YAACOV COMMITTEE NOMINATED BY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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R&D COUNCIL, IN FAVOR OF SIMPLY EXEC. DIRECTOR AND ADMIN AND PROFESSIONAL STAFF) AND STATE ELEMENTS IN MORE DETAIL AND CONCISELY AND PROVIDE FOR GREATER U.S. INPUTS (E.G. PROPOSALS ORIGINATING EITHER WITH U.S. OR ISRAELI ENTERPRISE). INGERSOLL
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